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MARQUETTE, MI
JANUARY 2024 – MARCH 2024
APRIL 1, 2024
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**Brief Description** 

Public Health Needs	
News Local Hourly R.O.S	
3/29/30	A Skandia man was found after being reported missing Thursday afternoon. The missing man was located about 400 yards from his residence and returned home to his spouse without incident.
3/27-28	March is National Criminal Justice Month and mental health is closely related to the issue. Advocates say people with mental illness are over represented in jails and prisons.
3/21-22	The nurses at MYMICHIGAN Medical Center Sault voted March 19 to authorize their bargaining team to be able to call for an unfair labor practice strike.
3/19-20	The Marquette County Sheriff's office was called to a vehicle on fire in Marquette Township. The vehicle was involved in a high-speed crash after leaving the roadway. The Marquette County Sheriff's office believes the lone occupant to be 23 year old Alex Duquette of Marquette Township.
3/11-12, 16-17	The Alabama Supreme Court has ruled recently that frozen embryos

are human beings.

3/16	Deputies from the Marquette County Sheriff's office were dispatched for a report of a vehicle on fire on County Road 492 and found a single vehicle fully engulfed in flames. The fire was quickly contained. A single victim was found in the vehicle.
3/5-0	A Michigan House Bill aimed at increasing access to mental health care was introduced in 2023.
3/1-:	The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services has awarded a 3 year contract to Health Management Associates to serve as project administrator for a technical assistance program for up to 24 county jails seeking to implement or expand medications for opioid use disorder programs.
2/27	Governor Whitmer's expansion of the Kindergarten Oral Assessment Program is set to begin his coming school year.
2/11	The Iron County Sheriff's department is investigating an explosion that occurred at a house on Sunday night. Officers found the residence mostly destroyed. At this time there is one confirmed fatality: an 80-year-old male who had just moved into the home from Florida.
2/9-	A new bill has been signed into law that requires dental check-ups for children before they register for kindergarten or first grade in Michigan.
2/9-	State Representative Dave Prestin's plan to extend temporary licenses for EMT's or Paramedics from 120 days to 1 year.
2/5-	Michigan State income Tax forms are ready to support the Michigan Organ Donor Registry.
2/1-:	Michigan Attorney General Nessel has filed a motion to dismiss a lawsuit filed in November 2023, by Right to Life of Michigan that is seeking to strike down the new Michigan Right to Reproductive Freedom.
1/31	MSP Trooper Joel Popp was hit by a car and killed last week while working on the side of the road investigating an impaired driver. Michigan State Police are reminding motorists of the "Move Over" law.
1/22	The Marquette County Sheriff's Office released the name of the Marquette woman who was killed in a car crash on Friday in Champion: Tara Gluski, a 50-year-old woman from Marquette.
1/15	The American Red Cross, the nation's largest blood supplier, is sounding the alarm about the blood shortage across the country.

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What's Happening PSA 6:15 AM – 6:18 AM 11:35 AM – 11:38 AM 7:45 PM – 7:48 PM R.O.S. Basis	
2/15-24	The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians will hold a Town Hall meeting from 5 to 6:30 pm on Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup> at the Kewadin Shores Event Center in St. Ignace to gather feedback from patients and community members.
2/1-3/10	Dementia Caregiving Series, a three-part online program designed for caregivers of people with dementia, will be held on Tuesday's, March 19 – April 2, 2024, from 10:00-11:00 am EST via Zoom.
1/11-2/29	GriefShare, will be held on Saturdays, 10am to 12pm at Bethany Baptist Church in dollar Bay, MI beginning March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2024.
1/8-20	The Marquette Seventh-day Adventist church in Negaunee will present "Healthy Happy Kids" with Drs. Ryan and Katie Brang on Sunday January 21st at 5:00 pm.
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3/5-31	GriefShare weekly support group will be held on Thursdays, from 4:00-6:00 PM at Munising Baptist Church.
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1/29-2/17	The Marquette Seventh-day Adventist Church will present "Strategies to Live a Plant Based Lifestyle: A physician's Journey" on Sunday February 18that 5:00
News Local Hourly R.O.S Basis	The Marquette Seventh-day Adventist Church will present "Strategies to Live a Plant Based Lifestyle: A physician's Journey"

MDOT continues to adjust Spring weight restrictions, April 1 weight restrictions will be lifted on all state trunk line highways.

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	3/26-27	The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing \$4.5 million dollars to repair the US-2 bridge over I-75, just north of the Mackinac Bridge in St. Ignace.
	3/22-24	The Michigan Department of Transportation work on the new roundabout at the intersection of US-41/M-28 and Lakeshore Drive in Ishpeming is about to restart.
	3/22-24	The Michigan Army National Guard will hold a Departure Ceremony for the Headquarters Element of the 272 <sup>nd</sup> Regional Support Group at Eastern High School in Lansing on Sunday March 24 <sup>th</sup> .
	3-20-21	Tens of thousands of Michiganders opted out of membership during the time that Right to Work was in effect, costing unions more than \$50 million annually in lost dues.
	3/15/17	The Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division is working to help local communities obtain low interest loans for projects designed to reduce risks from natural hazards and disasters.
	3/13-14	The Mackinac Bridge Authority will begin a 2-season repaving project on the bridge's north viaduct and approach truss, with repaving, deck repairs and joint repairs on the bridge that will begin on May 23 <sup>rd</sup> .
	3/11-12	Work on the roundabout at US-41/M-28 and Lakeshore Drive in Ishpeming is expected to resume later this month.
	3/9-10	Motorists can expect brief delays at the bridge on US-141 over the east branch of the Net River in Iron County when work resumes this week.
	3/7-8	The number of video/cable television operators in Michigan remained unchanged at 31 in 2023.
	3/1-3	The "Baby Chest" is a new pantry dedicated to assisting Mackinac County parents with infants in need, according to the St. Ignace News.
	2/28-29	An Epic-MRA poll shows Michigan voters overwhelmingly want all taxes collected at the gas pump to be dedicated to funding and fixing Michigan's infrastructure.
	2/23-25	The Marquette County Road Commission will impose and enforce seasonal load and speed restrictions on all roads and streets under its jurisdiction beginning February 26.
	2/26-27	The Michigan Human Trafficking Commission held its first meeting of the year on January 29 and has announced their upcoming meeting schedule.

2/22-23	Contractors will move an oversize load of large truck components from Escanaba to the Tilden Mine.
2/21-22	Vehicle registration fees in Michigan would increase by \$10 under legislation currently before the state house.
2/21	Contractors will move an oversize load of large truck components from Escanaba to the Mine in Tilden Township.
2/16-18	Work on the US-41/M-26 Portage Lake Lift Bridge between the cities of Houghton and Hancock will require a sidewalk closure on the bridge.
2/15-16	The Dickinson County Road Commission is offering a \$500 dollar reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individuals involved in the removal and damage of multiple traffic control devices and signs in the county.
2/13-14	The Michigan Department of Treasury reports that the Michigan Earned Income Tax Credit for working families has increased from 6% to 30%.
2/13-14	The Marquette County Road Commission reports that seasonal weight restrictions will be temporarily lifted until further notice on all roads under the jurisdiction of the Marquette County Road Commission.
2/7-8	The Mackinac Bridge Authority reports the bridge was closed for 2 hours on February 5 for falling ice.
2/5-6	MDOT is launching a road usage charges survey. The survey will give the public the opportunity to weigh in on possible new ways to sustainably and fairly fund and maintain the state transportation system.
2/5	The NB & SB I-75 lanes at the Mackinac Bridge are reopened.
2/5	The Mackinac Bridge is currently closed to traffic due to falling ice.
2/2-4	The Dickinson County dive team is working to re-establish itself reports the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Daily News. The dive team is utilized for search and rescue, recovery, and evidence collection.
1/26/28	The Michigan Department of Treasury announced that Monday, January 29 <sup>th</sup> will be the official start date of this years' tax return season.
1/18-19	The Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services is reminding Michiganders to review their auto, home, and renters' insurance policies.

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	1/12	State Police are encouraging residents and visitors to prepare for potential blizzard-like conditions as more than a foot of snow and high winds are forecast across the Upper Peninsula.
	1/8-9	January is Nation Human Trafficking Awareness month.
	1/5-7	UPPCO announced that it will begin lowering water levels at its hydroelectric reservoirs to prepare for melting snow and precipitation during the Spring. The Silver Lake, Hoist, Victoria Dam, Bond Falls and Lake Gogebic Reservoirs will be lowered during the month of January.
	1/2-3	The Marquette County Road Commission reports that motorists can expect intermittent delays on County Road 607 between Dishno Road and North Arfelin Lake Road for culvert repair.
	1/1-2	MDOT reports elevator replacement work on the US-41/M-26 Portage Lake Lift Bridge between the cities of Houghton and Hancock will require lane closures on the bridge.
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	2/28-3/15	The Care Clinic is looking for community support for Diaper Wars! Diapers can be dropped off at any Care Clinic location or at the Snyder Drug in West Ishpeming, Gwinn, or Harvey until March 15.
	3/12-23	A free Veterans lunch will be held on Saturday March 23, at the Thunder Bay Inn in Big Bay from 12:00-2:00 pm.
	3/11-31	Clinic service and WIC appointments available at the Marquette County Health Department are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 8:30am - 4:00pm.
	3/4-14	Second Thursday Creative Series at the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum "Everything Green" will be Thursday, March 14th from 5:30pm – 7:30pm.
	3/1-31	The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market is looking for farmers, growers, food producers, artisans, musicians, and local community organizations to be part of the 2024 market season.
	2/7-3/28	Powerful Tools for Caregivers, a 6-week online workshop, designed for the non-professional, informal family caregiver, will be held on Thursdays, March 28 through May 2 from 2-3:30 pm EST, via Zoom.

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2/7-3/31	4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp will be held July 28 through August 3, 2024, on the northern shores of Lake Michigan at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle, for teens 13-15.
2/1-17	The Calumet AGLOW Christian Fellowship will host their monthly breakfast gathering on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 9:30am at the Harvest Church in Calumet.
1/3-2/8	Second Thursday Creative Series at the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum "Valentine's Party will be Thursday, February 8 from 5:30-7:30pm.
1/32-3/1	MDOT is launching a road usage charges survey starting January 30 through March 1.
1/30-2/9	State Representative Dave Prestin will be joining the Menominee County Farm Bureau for a local control town hall discussion on Friday, February 9.
1/22-2-/28	UPCAP's Kinship Care Program provides resources for Grandparents and other relatives raising children. Dial 211 to see if you qualify for kinship care funding and/or additional resources.
1/9-3/31	Veteran Food & Gas cards are available. Contact UPCAP's Upper Peninsula Veterans Program manager by March 31 to apply.
1/8-17	MSU Extension is hosting two public virtual listening sessions as opportunities to engage with additional Michigan residents on Tuesday, January 16 from $6:30-8$ pm and Thursday, January 18 from $11:30$ am $-1:00$ pm.
1/8-2/23	February WIC Clinics at Marquette County Health Department will be Tuesdays and Thursday's 2/8 and 2/22 from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm.
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3/11-29	First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain will hold the 48 <sup>th</sup> Annual Men and Boy's Breakfast on March 29 <sup>th</sup> at Venue 906.
3/10-31	The Northland on the Road Youth Rally will be held at Munising Baptist Church on April 20 from 10 am – 4 pm.
3/4-23	The Calumet AGLOW Christian Fellowship will hold their monthly breakfast meeting March 23 <sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 am at the Harvest Church of the Keweenaw.
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3/4-24	Family Baptist Church of Kingsford will hold their 26 <sup>th</sup> Annual Sportsman's Seminar on Saturday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> .
2/20-3/10	There will be a seminar on ordering seeds, varieties for our climate, seed starting and seed saving on Friday March 1 <sup>st</sup> .
2/6-17	The Calumet AGLOW Christian Fellowship will host their monthly breakfast gathering on Saturday, February 17 <sup>th</sup> at the Harvest Church in Calumet.
2/15-3/9	Child Evangelism Fellowship's Family Fun Fair will be Saturday March 9 <sup>th</sup> at LSSU Student Activity Center in Sault Ste. Marie.
2/1-3/9	Mission Bible Training Center "Annual Family Supper Night" will be at Grace Covenant Church in Iron River on March 9 <sup>th</sup> .
1/11-1/20	The Calumet AGLOW Fellowship will host their next breakfast meeting on Saturday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the Harvest Church in Calumet.
Focus on the Family REC Host: Jim Daly 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM 10:00 PM - 10:30PM	
3/29	Dr. Tony Evans explains the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ provides power for victorious living for those who identify with Him, who testify about Him to others and who love Him more than life itself.
3/28	The Beckers encourage dads and sons to be "tender lions" who will confront societal ills and yet remain tender and compassionate in their relationships.
3/26-27	Pastor Sean and Lanette Reed describe their marital journey and God's faithfulness.
3/25	Pastor Kevin Thompson helps you learn how to navigate the roads of life – circumstances, situations, and relationships – by staying in your lane.
3/22	Pastor Ted Cunningham shares humorous stories from life with his spouse to illustrate how laughter is a key component for a thriving and lasting marriage.
3/21	As a former trauma surgeon, Dr. Kathryn Butler shares about the glimmers of grace that helped her embrace God's sovereignty in times of suffering and loss.

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3/19-20	Jodie wants to equip parents of teens to pray with confidence about dating, peer pressure, social media, prodigals and more – using the power of God's Word.
3/18	Robyn Dykstra sought to right a wrong that impacted her earthly father, with the help of her Heavenly Father.
3/15	Adam Holz and Paul Asay from focus on the Family's Plugged In team equips you to guide your family to make healthy media choices.
3/13-14	Amber and Guy Lia discuss common, everyday things which can provoke anger and tension in marriage.
3/12	Duck Dynasty's Phil and Al Robertson share their moving testimonies and the simple truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
3/11	Cynthia Tobias shares practical advice on how to best maximize your student's environment, attitude, time-management, learning style, organizational skills, and mental capacity.
3/8	Chris Coursey helps you better understand the role of joy in your marriage, your parenting and your friendships.
3/7	Leslie and her husband Duncan share her journey "Never Perfect: Finding More Joy and Less Guilt As a Mom."
3/5-6	Laura Perry Smalts shares about her 7-year journey of transitioning and identifying as a male before realizing she was living a lie and then fully embracing her female gender.
3/1-2	Monica Swanson shares a story about taking her son Jonah through "character training" when he was 13 to learn more about the importance of godly character in his life.
2/29	J. John uses his trademark humor and compelling stories to convey four traits that God sees in each of us: We are lovable, we are valuable, we are forgiven, and we are capable.
2/27-28	Sarah Beasley McDonald will help couples and single adults prepare for remarriage and the formation of a step family.
2/26	Pastor Jeff Simmons shares insights into living a fulfilling and joyful life by embracing God's call.
2/22-23	Josh and Katie Walters share the story of Katie's affair with the husband of their good friend couple, and how Katie vacillated for quite a while, torn between doing the right thing (ending the affair) and still feeling love for the other man.

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2/2		Educator and author Cynthia Tobias offers encouragement and practical advice for the difficult scenarios faced by frustrated parent of strong-willed children ranging from very young to adult.	ts
2/1		Kristin Hawkins, the president of Students for Life of America, shares inspiring stories about the pro-life movement and will help you to speak up for the preborn and vulnerable women.	
2/1		Dr. Gary Chapman reflects on the lessons God has taught him throughout his life.	
2/1		Author and bible teacher Lisa Harper shares how the Lord redeeme gut-wrenching disappointments in her life.	d
2/1		Dr. Kevin Leman offers practical suggestions for maintaining a lasting, thriving marriage.	
2/1		Dr. Danny Huerta believes parents can offset issues by routinely initiating conversations with their children to assess their mental health and emotional well-being.	
2/8		Pam Farrel (raised by a single mom) and Peggy Sue Wells (a single mom of seven) offer guidance to single moms (and dads) as they navigate life with their children.	:
2/6		Dr. Mike Bechtle offers encouragement, explaining why there's no prescribed method that's "best" and that God can use your unique personality to accomplish the same goal.	
2/5		Dave and Ashley Willis encourage husbands and wives to share as much as possible, rather than have separate bank accounts, hobbies and even friends.	,
2/1		Debra Fileta discusses finding your identity before you make it you dating relationship, having emotional boundaries, and focusing on Christ as the true healing and fulfillment in your life.	ır
1/3		Dr. Gregory Jantz, a leading authority on mental and behavioral health, shares encouragement and help for those overwhelmed by feelings of guilt and shame associated with depression.	
1/2		Lucille Williams equips you with ways you can nurture your child's strengths and help them learn to overcome their weaknesses.	S
1/2		pastor Gary Thomas invites Christians to embrace a life of true pleasure as a pathway to obedience, worship, and service.	
1/2		Taylor and Megan Kovar explain how to be more content with financial situation and trust God for the future.	
1/2		Priscilla Hurley and Melissa Ohden inspire and encourage thousand of people to champion life.	ls

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	1/17-18	A panel of parents join with Jim Daly and John Fuller to discuss preparing their children for the teen years and adulthood.
	1-16	Author and homesteader Kathi Lipp offers insightful ideas on homesteading.
	1/15	Pastor Miles McPherson challenges believers of all skin tones to consider the fact that grouping humans by skin color promotes racism, which hinders the gospel.
	1/12	NFL chaplain Jonathan Evans and his wife, Kanika, offer parents practical ideas for effectively leading family devotions.
	1/10-11	Debra Fileta wants to help people experience change in healthy ways.
	1/8	Dr. Marcus Warner and Pastor Chris Coursey offer practical guidance for how to experience greater joy in their relationship.
	1/5	Pastor Phil Waldrep shares how to overcome the natural feelings of denial, bitterness, and a need for vengeance, by embracing biblical forgiveness.
	1/3-4	Dave and Ashley Willis help husbands and wives rediscover God's design for a marriage that enables them to be emotionally, spiritually, and physically vulnerable and transparent with each other.
	1/2	Molly DeFrank wants to equip families to put technology in its proper place as a tool for our families.
	1/1	Wendy Speake returns to discuss how to ingest and digest the Word of God in a beneficial way.
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	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis	

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3/26-27	Michigan has a school attendance problem. Public school enrollment is down 5% from the 2018-2019 school year that had 20% of students chronically absent.
3/21-22	Michigan's statewide high school graduation rate increased for the second year in a row in 2023.
3/21-22	Citizens for Traditional Values hosted a homeschooling forum.

3/18-19	Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie has received a Select Student Support Grant for the academically and economically disadvantaged college student.
3/15-17	The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity announced two new extension campuses for Michigan Career and Technical Institute, expanding access to the college's vocational rehabilitation services to students in Kalamazoo and Livingston counties.
3/8-10	Safe Routes to School mini-grants from the Michigan Fitness Foundation are available now. The grant is intended to educate, encourage, and assist students on their trips to and from school.
3/7-8	State Representative Greg Markkanen is calling for the House Education Committee to consider a bi-partisan school safety package introduced last year.
2/19-20, 24-25	In part two Senator Cropsey talked about what he described at the time as a "vicious" environment in Michigan for home schooling.
2/19-20	Representative Jamie Green is announcing an upcoming Christian Education Freedom Forum. The virtual town hall is sponsored by several organizations with the goal of preserving the freedom to home school in Michigan.
2/12-13, 17-18	In the face of opposition to home schooling and threatened regulations of families who home school, former Senator Alan Cropsey has taken a stand in part one in favor of home schooling.
2/15-16	Applicants who have completed the free application for federal student aid are eligible for up to \$27,500 in college funding through the Michigan Achievement Scholarship.
2/12-13	Menominee County has received a grant from the State of Michigan. The out-of-school-time grant funding was issued to Menominee County I.S.D. with the support of the four local school districts, for their summer school programs.
2/8-9	The Marquette area public schools board of education adopted the Sentinels as the new Marquette Senior High School Nickname.
2/6-7	Farah Saddiqi says the report points to net need for colleges and universities to become centers for lifelong learning and not just focusing on young adults.
1/26-28	Nation School Choice Week is ongoing this week.
1/24-25	State Representative Jamie Green opposed the proposed registration of homeschoolers in the state.

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	1/23-24	A new scholarship will help make a college education more affordable for many Michigan students.
	1/15-16, 20-21	There is a push in Lansing to demand registration with the state.
	1/17-18	A new report by the National Rural Education Association says Michigan has the lowest professional to student ratio of all the states.
	1/18-19	Vice president of the Michigan Christian Home School Network, is calling those who care about educational choice to contact their legislators and oppose any additional regulations on homeschooling.
	1/5-7	Representative Dave Prestin introduced a bill that would require school districts to obtain and distribute opioid antagonists like Narcan.
	1/3-4	The Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential, MILEAP, announced the launch of the "Michigan Reconnect Short Term Training Program," a new career training scholarship.
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	1/24-2/20	Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) will once again host the annual Agriculture for Tomorrow Conference in Escanaba. The event will take place on Tuesday, February 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2024, from 9:15 AM to 4:15 PM at the Joseph Heirman University Center
Corrections/ Courts		
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis	
	3/29-31	27-year-old Rashad Trice has pled guilty to kidnapping and death of a 2-year-old Wynter Cole-Smith.
	3/25-26	The 3 <sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court Chief Patricia Perez Fresard is alerting all Wayne County residents that a fraudulent scam is under way regarding jury duty.
	3/21-22	The Marquette County Sheriff's Office was made aware of a complaint regarding fraudulent real estate postings on Zillow.com.

3/14-15	The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force announced the arrest of 41-year-old Trevor Flynn of Marquette, for accosting a child for immoral purposes and using a computer to commit a crime.
3/8-10	20-year-old Sean Pietila of Pickford was sentenced to 12 months and 1 day in federal prison for making a series of violent threats on June 1-2, 2023, to kill Jewish people.
2/29-3/1	Michigan Attorney General Nessel has filed her response to a request for a preliminary injunction in Northland Family Planning Center vs. Nessel.
2/28-29	Diesel Freak, LLC, of Gaylord was ordered to pay a fine of \$750,000 and serve a term of probation for violating the Clean Air Act.
2/9-11	63-year-old Sophia Quill of Westland was sentenced to 78 months in prison for defrauding the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Michigan Department of Treasury out of nearly half a million dollars.
2/7-8	A Marquette man has been charged in connection with an incident in January at Marquette City Hall. 66-year-old Leon James Arnold of Marquette confronted police with a gun. Arnold was arrested on a 7-count warrant for carrying a concealed weapon, two counts of felonious assault, resisting and obstructing, and two felony counts of brandishing a firearm in public.
1/30-31	42-year-old Steven Allen of Detroit was arraigned in Wayne County on 4 felonies for forgery, using a computer to commit a crime, and allegedly embezzling more than \$60,000 dollars from is employer.
1/26-28	27-year-old Dalton Duquette of Marquette was sentenced to prison on January 16 <sup>th</sup> after having been convicted of 2 counts of criminal sexual conduct in the third degree against 2 different victims.
1/25-26	The Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force announced the arrest of 43-year-old William Horner and 42-year-old Stacey Horner both of Laurium, for child sexually abusive material – aggravated possession and using a computer to commit a crime.
1/24-25	An arrest warrant was issued by the Marquette County Prosecutor's Office for 44-year-old Stacey Kangas from Marquette for embezzlement.
1/22-23	A male entered Marquette City Hall and requested to speak with a police officer. While waiting he confronted a civilian with a handgun, who exited the building safely. He was eventually disarmed by officers. A loaded handgun was recovered.

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	1/22-23	63-year-old Sophia Quill of Westland pled no contest to one cour conducting a criminal enterprise and eight counts of false pretens	
	1/12-14	Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel announced the arrest an arraignment of Nicholas Mui, 22, of Grand Haven, Michigan, in connection to the systemic theft and sale of account access information tied to the Meijer Rewards Program, MPERKS.	d
	1/5-7	Irfan Gill, 62, of Portage, Michigan with mail fraud and money laundering.	
	1/4-5	Chadwick Mobley, 42, was bound over for trial on murder charge for the 2011 homicide of Andrea Eilber.	es
	1/2-3	The Marquette Area Public Schools announced that the central of administrative team notified the Marquette Police Department of possible embezzlement incident.	
Substance Abuse			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/12-13	Gregory Knuuttila of Mohawk was sentenced for his role in distributing meth throughout Houghton and Keweenaw Counties	•
	2/19-20	Former narcotics police officer, 55-year-old Scott Monett of Cha Township was sentenced to serve 90 days in jail and 18 months probation under a deferred sentence after pleading guilty last mo to possession of meth.	
Tourism/ Recreation			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/22-24	The plan to implement a \$4 per bag charge at Shepler's Mackina Island Ferry has been postponed.	С
	2/23-25	The Great Lakes have experienced record low levels of ice cover year.	this
	2-23-25	The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) says it's an excitin time for Michigan State Parks thanks to a massive \$250 million	g

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		dollar investment made possible through the American Rescue Plan Act.
	1/16-17	District 3 of the U.P. Trappers Association is hosting a kids workshop set for February 3 in Hermansville.
	1/12-14	Revised requirements for sporting guides have been passed into law.
	1/4-5	The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced registration is open for this winter's "Becoming and Outdoors Woman" weekend workshop.
	What's Happening PSA 6:15 AM – 6:18 AM 11:35 AM – 11:38 AM 7:45 PM – 7:48 PM	
	2/14/3/31	Michigan Maple Syrup Weekend is April 6th, in Rudyard.
	1/8-27	Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park will have guided snowshoe hike and a lantern-lit trail on January 27 <sup>th</sup> .
	Church Bulletin Board PSA 9:45 AM – 9:48 AM 2:35 PM – 2:38 PM 6:35 PM – 6:38 PM	
	3/4-21	On March 22 there will be a concert featuring Legacy 5 at Bethany Bible Church in Belleville, MI.
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	3/25-26, 3/30-31	Michigan Representative Neil Friske has asked Governor Whitmer to send help to Texas Governor Greg Abbott with the southern border and all the illegal border entries.
	3/29-31	The National Federation of Independent Business appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court its litigation over the Michigan Income Tax

Representative John Fitzgerald, sponsor of the Car Seat Bills, reports they passed in the Senate in March and in the House at the end of

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	2023 and are now ready to be signed by the Governor. Once the Governor signs this legislation it will bring Michigan's standards up to both federal and manufacturers' standards.
3/27-28	State Representative Greg Markkanen is calling attention to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission after the office of the Auditor General uncovered widespread mismanagement within the commission.
3/25-26	State Representative Greg Markkanen is criticizing a recent proposal by Governor Whitmer to drastically reduce funding for the non- partisan office of the Auditor General.
3/18-19, 23-24	Surrogacy bills are scheduled for a vote in committee and are expected to be before the full Senate.
3/19-20	The Michigan Public Service Commission recently released its annual report that highlights action the commission took in 2023.
3/18-19	State Representatives Greg Markkanen, Dave Prestin and Neil Friske are encouraging the public to weigh in on a new state law that strips away local control over large scale wind and solar projects at an upcoming public meeting.
3/15-17	Governor Whitmer has awarded \$72.5 million dollars in blight elimination funds to create housing opportunities and strengthen communities across Michigan.
3/14-15	State Representative Carrie Rheingans of Ann Arbor introduced a bill last year that would add Michigan to the Compact. If the Compact goes into effect, every state will vote as a bloc for whoever won the national popular vote. Even if the candidate lost Michigan.
3/13-14	The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development will provide \$2.5 million dollars in loans and grants for the Village of Baraga and the City of Wakefield.
3/12-13	The Michigan Department of Treasury announced the individual income tax rate for 2024 will go up to 4.25%.
3/11-12	Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services Director, Anita Fox, announced that the department has made clear to insurers that price optimization is prohibited under state law as unfairly discriminatory and may not be used in setting rates for home, auto and other types of insurance policies.
3/4-5, 9-10	Representative Jim DeSana voted against a House resolution that denounces racist, xenophobic, white supremacist, anti-Semitic and Islamophobic language by members of the House of Representatives.

legal decision.

Some in the Michigan Senate have requested that Governor Whitmer

present a contingent budget recommendation based on a pending

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3/6-7	In 2023, the Michigan Legislature reinstated prevailing wage for Michigan projects that are state-funded.
3/4-5	The repeal of former Senator Tom Casperson's legislation to establish an environmental rules review committee, made up of businesses and groups impacted by bureaucratic rules has been signed by Governor Whitmer.
3/4-5	The Michigan Supreme Court will likely hear a challenge to a \$714 million dollar per year tax hike.
3/1-3	Over 550 illegal guns have been taken off the streets as part Operation Safe Neighborhoods.
2/26-27, 3/2-3	Representative Steve Cara staged a campout outside Speaker Joe Tate's office demonstrating against a fellow Representative's discipline and a budget provision.
2/29-3/1	The earned income tax credit has been raised from six percent of the federal credit to 30 percent.
2/26-27	Just days after Marquette County issued a press release about a \$50 million dollar tax dispute, Cleveland-Cliffs reached a settlement with the County, Richmond and Tilden Townships, and the City of Negaunee.
2/22-23	Governor Whitmer wants to take \$670 million dollars out of the state's pension debt payments and spend it elsewhere. Critics say Michigan Legislators should be cautious.
3/23	Cleveland-Cliffs is at the center of a tax dispute with Marquette County.
2/21-22	Governor Whitmer said in her State of the State Address in January that she had proposed free pre-school and community college in Michigan. Mackinac Center for Public Policy Director of Public Relations, Holly Wetzel, says lawmakers should be extremely skeptical of these types of programs.
2/20-21	A new bill will cap Payday loans at 36%.
2/16-18	Over \$850,000 dollars in Rural Readiness Grants will strengthen Michigan communities. Erica Qualey says the grants will help fund health care, mental health access, environmental education, and other projects.
2/16-18	The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has announced an update to the tribal code that will ensure the sustainable harvest of northern white cedar trees in the 1836 ceded territory.

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2/13-14	Nearly 1.3million voters have requested absentee ballots for the primary, which is an 80% increase over the same point before the 2020 presidential primary.
2/5-6, 10-11	The Oral Chemotherapy Parity Act has been signed into law by Governor Whitmer.
2/8-9	Michigan Representative Phil Green, stands behind Governor Abbott regarding no trespassing by individuals who have illegally entered Texas from the southern border of Mexico.
2/7-8	Moran Township has begun developing regulations for short term rentals.
2/6-7	State Representative David Martin has introduced legislation to roll back Michigan's Income Tax rate from 4.25% to 3.9%.
1/29-30, 2/3-4	Legislation involving commercial surrogacy contracts has been passed out of the House of Representatives and is now before the Senate.
1/29-30	Governor Whitmer delivered her State of the State Address.
1/22-23, 27-28	Former Senator Alan Cropsey is opposed to a current move in Lansing to legalize the practice of assisted suicide.
1/24	Budget negotiations continue in Lansing as Governor Whitmer prepares for her sixth state of the state address. Greg Markkanen wants to hear how the Governor is representing all Michigan residents.
1/23-24	Muskegon County government has been allowed to sell a piece of property because state-imposed deed restrictions were removed.
1/19-21	The Michigan Office of the Children's Ombudsmen has been renamed the Office of Child Advocate.
1-19-21	A new report from the "Growing Michigan Together" team reveals infrastructure, housing, jobs, education, and cost of living among the top priorities for Michiganders.
1/16-17	Representative Greg Markkanen serves 90,000 people in the 110 <sup>th</sup> District of Michigan. He says he wants to connect better with constituents in 2024 and be able to give a helping hand.
1/15-16	Four financial disclosure bills signed into law in Lansing will help to grow citizens trust in Michigan's government.
1/8-9, 13-14	The abortion insurance op-out law has been signed by Governor Gretchen Whitmer.
1/11-12	The Court of Claims has rejected a permanent income tax cut.

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	1/10-11	A new study from the Mackinac Center for Public Policy recommends reforms at both the state and local levels to improve disciplinary measures in police union contracts.	
	1/9-10	Representative Doug Wozniak had his house bill signed into law the would protect people with their money in forfeiture cases.	at
	1/8-9	A measure by Senator John Damoose has been signed into law that will streamline Michigan's Property Tax Exemption for disabled veterans.	
	1/1-2, 6-7	Three bills have been introduced in the Senate dealing with assisted suicide.	l
	1/3-4	Senator John Bumsted is currently serving on the Senate Appropriations Committee and reports on his 2024 goals.	
	1/2-3	In December, Secretary of State Benson unveiled a new online transparency tool that makes Michigan Department of State records more accessible to the public.	ı
	1/2-3	The Federal Communications Commission has amended a rule governing telemarketing communication, requiring individual businesses to obtain written consent from consumers before sending robotexts and making robocalls.	3
Needs of the Elderly			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/14-15	Michigan seniors are among those who will see benefits after Congress passed a bi-partisan boost in funding to community health centers.	1
Employment/ Unemployment			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	2/26-27	The Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency has unveiled an innovative employer help center for Michigan businesses.	

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	2/1-2	Michigan's regional jobless rates fell in November. Total employment advanced in all 27 Michigan regions over the year, a median increase of 6.1%.	with
	1/29-30	Michigan Works has 14 offices across the U.P. to help individua connect to meaningful employment.	ls
	1/25-26	A recent Unemployment Insurance Agency audit addresses pandemic-era issues.	
	1/7-8	Michigan's jobless rate edged up in November. Michigan's over year percentage employment gain of 4.3% was 2.1 percentage pabove the U.S. total employment increase.	
	1/1-2	The Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency has been award \$2.6 million-dollar federal grant to fight fraud.	ded a
Environment			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/25-26	The Environmental Protection Agency has set final rules on light duty vehicle emissions.	t
	2/14-15	State Representative Dave Prestin joined by 34 other Michigan State Representative Dave Prestin joined by 34 other Michigan State Legislators, sent a letter to the Army Corps of Engineers urging to expedite their review of the Enbridge Line 5 Great lakes Tunn Project so construction can begin.	them
	1/11-12	Environmental groups say they won't give up in their protests of pipeline upgrade.	fthe
Economy			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/28-29	The Michigan Department of Transportation has announced the recipients for the 2024 Michigan Rail Enhancement Grant Programme Company of the 2024 Michigan Rail Enhancement Grant Programm	am.
	3/20-21	Delta County Development Alliance is helping to find people to fulfill job expansion at the Creative Composites business plant it Rapid River.	

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	3/8-10	The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has announced that the Soo Locks in Sault Ste. Marie will open the Poe Lock to all marine traffic at 6 PM on March 22, marking the start of the 2024 Great Lake shipping season.
	2/14-15	The Michigan Public Service Commission has taken steps to begin implementation of changes made last year to Michigan energy laws.
	2/3-5	The State of Michigan has approved language for a ballot proposal designed to restore local choice for the siting of large-scale wind and solar operations.
	2/2-4	More than \$1.3 billion dollars was awarded to schools from Michigan lottery sales in 2023.
	1/31-2/1	Representative Jamie Green is making a stand for local control. She says legislation last year took away control from local government regarding site permits for wind and solar projects.
	1/30-31	The Marquette County Road Commission will impose and enforce seasonal load and speed restrictions on all roads and streets under the Marquette County jurisdiction.
	1/22-23	The Soo Locks in Sault Ste. Marei, Michigan closed to all marine traffic January 15 <sup>th</sup> and will remain closed through March 25 <sup>th</sup> to perform critical seasonal maintenance.
	1/12-14	A recent study by the Insurance Research Council has showed that Michigan experienced the largest decrease of any state in the nation in its uninsured motorist rate.
	1/10-11	A bi-partisan group of individuals from across the State of Michigan have launched "Citizens for Local Choice," a ballot committee formed to restore voters' rights in land use decisions for industrial wind and solar operations.
	1/9-10	The U.S. Department of Agriculture released a foreign owned land report and Michigan is one of 3 states in the nation that account for a 45% increase in foreign agricultural land holding in 2022.
	What's Happening PSA 6:15 AM – 6:18 AM 11:35 AM – 11:38 AM 7:45 AM – 7:48 AM	
	3/14-15	State Representative Neil Friske encouraged public participation in two upcoming meetings to consider rule implementation for a new state law that strips away local control over large-scale wind and solar projects. The first two sessions will be held from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM on Tuesday, March 19 via Microsoft Teams.

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	1/10-15	The Economic Club of Marquette County will meet on Monday, January 15, 2024.	
Needs of the Handicapped			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	2/22-23	The Michigan Department of Treasury is encouraging hundreds thousands of Michiganders with the option of opening a disabilit savings account through MI-ABLE.	
	Focus on the Family REC Host: Jim Daly 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM 10:00 PM - 10:30 PM	Laura Wifler and Erin Smalley are both mothers to daughters wi special needs. They remind us that the smallest acts of inclusivit such as a kind work or a friendly smile, can make all the differen	y,
Needs of Young People			
	News Local Hourly R.O.S. Basis		
	3/11-12	The Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity has annount the Young Professionals Initiative \$3 million dollar grant money where young adults will be granted on-site training which will prepare them with job skills and earned income through Michiga Works.	
	2/27-28	The Michigan Department of Treasury encourages the public to provide an education beyond high school for foster care youth, be donating to a scholarship to help the youth attend college.	
	2/12-13	Young adults with special health care needs in Michigan will have increased access to care due to the expansion of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Children's Special H Care Services program.	